

Welcome to Grace Presbyterian Church. We are pleased that you are here and look forward to discovering ways that we can grow in faith and service together. We pray that you will be blessed in worship today. If you have any questions, we encourage you to contact the church office at (337) 984-6400 or gracpreb@lusfiber.net. For Pastoral Care, please contact Rev. Pat at 337-781-1806 or at wadp1@msn.com.

Nursery provided in Room 4 on Sunday Mornings.

THIS WEEK IN OUR CHURCH:

Sunday, August 8

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship in Sanctuary

Sunday, August 15

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship in Sanctuary

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

FLOWER SIGNUP - There is a sheet located outside the Sanctuary to sign up to bring flowers on Sunday Mornings to place in the front of the Sanctuary. Thank you to everyone that has brought flowers the past few Sundays. We need more volunteers!

MDO OPENINGS – The Grace Mother’s Day Out Program has openings for their Fall Program which runs from August 2021 to May 2022. If you know someone looking for childcare, please have them contact our MDO directors at 337-993-1231 or mdoatgrace@gmail.com. Grace MDO is open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9am-2pm.

FACE MASKS/DISTANCING – seems we have had to take a step back with the covid cases increasing in our area. The Grace Session has voted to reinstitute our church’s previous mitigation measures. Please make sure to wear a mask when inside Grace Church and keep a 6’ distance (unless you are in the same family). Full details were on the front page of our August Newsletter.

Grace Presbyterian Prays for.....(New Requests in Bold)

Jean McLain

Katharine Schendel

Pam Fontenot

Catherine Sarwar

Ellyn Macpherson

Mary Ann Daigle

Ray Montgomery

Elaine Hamm

Steve Thompson (Grubb’s)

Linda Scholes (Jean McLain)

Jennifer Artigue (MDO)

David Faherty (Sandy Stewart)

Scott Dore (Donna Causey)

Family of Ken Bourg (Katharine Schendel)

Troy & Melanie Lillie (Sarah Gaspard)

John Hebert (Sarah Gaspard)

Mildred & Maryann Baker (William Baker)

Joyce Sorbet (Nick Manzo)

Peggy Taylor (Linda Griffis-Smart)

Claire Guidry (Lana Gaspard)

Norma White (Terry Wolford)

Cherry Taylor (Betty Couch)

Michelle Shipley (Betty Couch)

The Boyette Family (Montgomery)

Calen Rodgers Aultman (Carol Rodgers)



Grace Presbyterian Staff

Pat Wadsworth

Sarah Gaspard

Gray Guillot

Katharine Schendel

Nick Manzo

Interim Pastor

Administrator

Custodian

Organist/Pianist

Music Director

Grace Presbyterian Church of Lafayette

Unashamed in
Jesus’ Name, we will

Gather, Grow, and Go

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Celebration of Worship

August 8, 2021

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Gather - Assemble in God's Name

Prelude Katharine Schendel

Silent Meditation

Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: With all my heart, I am waiting, Lord, for you!

People: I trust our promises.

*Opening Song Red #215

"Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts"

Opening Prayer (in unison)

Grant us, O Lord, the grace always to do and think what accords with your purpose; that we, who cannot exist without you, may be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Call to Confession

Leader: From a sea of troubles I call out to you, Lord.

People: Won't you please listen as I beg for mercy?

Leader: Because our God is always listening, let us confess our sin together.

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Day after day and hour after hour you listen, Lord, for your people to call out to you in our need. We know you are there, yet we go on feeling sorry for ourselves in all our need, and carrying burdens you never meant for us to carry alone. We grow weary, and blame ourselves and others for our pain and

fatigue. Forgive us, Lord, our needless self-pity and impatience. May we hear again Jesus' invitation to follow his example of humility, and to let him bear our suffering. Only then will we enjoy life as you intended, growing into the likeness of our Savior. In his precious name we pray, amen.

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: If you kept record of our sins, no one could last long.

People: But you forgive us, and so we will worship you.

Leader: In the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

All: Thanks be to God!

*Praise Response

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

*Passing of the Peace

Grow - Proclaim God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading 2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33

Special Music Nick Manzo

Epistle Reading Ephesians 4:25-5:2

New Testament Reading John 6:35, 41-51

Message Rev. Pat Wadsworth

*Affirmation of Faith (in unison) The Apostles' Creed
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the

Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Give Thanks to God

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (*"debts and debtors"*)

Offering

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

Go- In God's Name

*Closing Song Blue #384

"O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go"

*Benediction Rev. Pat Wadsworth

*Postlude Katharine Schendel



*Those who are able, please stand.

**Please silence cell phones.

VISITOR CARDS – if you are a visitor today, please fill out a *"welcome card"* which is located on the table as you leave the sanctuary. Please place the completed card in the offering plate (*located on the same table*) so we can have a record of you joining us today.